Jason Terry; head coach Rick Carlisle, and assistant coaches Terry Stotts, Dwane Casey, Darrell Armstrong, Monte Mathis and Robert Hackett, head athletic trainer Casey Smith, and assistant trainer Dionne Calhoun, led the Mavericks to their first NBA championship by stressing teamwork and determination.

The Mavericks have such a loyal following not only because they are champions on the court, but because they are champions in the community as well. The Dallas Mavericks possess a strong sense of social responsibility. acknowledging that a community is only as strong as its weakest link. The team displays a strong commitment to the community through its foundation. The Dallas Mavericks Foundation is dedicated to inspiring and motivating youth to take their education seriously, strive for healthy bodies and minds, become involved in community service activities, set personal goals, visualize their dreams and take responsibility for their own lives and neighborhoods.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in congratulating each member of the 2011 NBA Champion Dallas Mavericks for their many victories on the court and in the community. They are champions to their sports fans, to beneficiaries of their Foundation, and to the entire Dallas community. We hank them for bringing the NBA championship trophy where it belongs—the American Airlines Center located in the heart of the 30th Congressional District of Texas.

HONORING SRI SRI RAVI SHANKAR

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, June 13, 2011

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, Sri Sri Ravi Shankar is a renowned spiritual leader and multi-faceted humanitarian whose mission of uplifting human values and creating a stressfree, violence-free world has inspired millions of people around the world over the past 30 years; and

In 1981, Sri Sri established the Art of Living Foundation, an international nonprofit educational and humanitarian organization, with a presence in 151 countries, which offers educational and self-development programs designed to eliminate stress and foster well-being, including programs which are helping inner city youth turn away from gang violence and programs which are helping transform the lives of veterans, prison inmates, terrorists and victims of trauma around the world; and

Through Sri Sri's message of religious harmony, non-violence, equality, tolerance and peace transcends class; race, religion and nationality and promotes ecumenical and universal human values; and

In 1997, Sri Sri founded the International Association for Human Values, a humanitarian nonprofit organization that advances and strengthens society by strengthening the individual.

The Art of Living Foundation and the International Association for Human Values collaborate on humanitarian initiatives that include some of the following: trauma relief at the site of the world's most horrific natural disasters and conflicts, including helping such traumatized populations as survivors, refu-

gees, veterans, Katrina and 9/11 survivors, earthquake and tsunami survivors in Japan, and others; and prison settings, where more than 350,000 staff and inmates in 32 countries have participated in stress relief and life-skills programs, including both adult and juvenile offenders: and corporate, military, and government settings, bringing stress relief, team building, and a competitive edge to the World Bank, IBM, Shell Oil, Intel, the Third Circuit Court, the Army National Guard, and many other organizations in the U.S. and around the world; and addressing corruption and ethics, including hosting the World Forum for Ethics and Business each year at the European Parliament and speaking out against corruption in India; and the Youth Leadership Training Program, which has trained 100,000 at-risk youth and others to become leaders, who in turn have brought transformation to more than 36.000 rural villages: and the environment. with numerous environmental initiatives, including clean-up and awareness programs, sustainable agriculture and the planting of 10 million trees around the world; and U.S. school initiatives, with more than 12,000 U.S. students participating in school stress relief and life-skills programs in the last year alone; and

The Foundation's self-development programs have benefitted over 30 million people around the world over the past 30 years.

GINA CALABRESE

HON. CHRISTOPHER S. MURPHY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, June 13, 2011

Mr. MURPHY of Connecticut. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a great woman and constituent, Gina Calabrese. Ms. Calabrese is the principal of the Rotella Interdistrict Magnet School in Waterbury, Connecticut, and was recently honored as the National Principal of the Year by the Magnet Schools of America. This award is presented annually to an exemplary school leader who has created and fostered innovative academic and extracurricular programs in magnet schools.

The students of the Rotella Magnet School and the community of Waterbury as a whole are fortunate to have a leader like Gina Calabrese, and I am proud that the Rotella School is in my district. Her dedication to education and her students is remarkable. In fact largely because of Ms. Calabrese's leadership, the Rotella Interdistrict Magnet School was also honored in 2008 with the Magnet Schools of America's Dr. Ronald P. Simpson Distinguished Magnet Schools of Excellence.

Ms. Calabrese has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to innovation and education, and her efforts have raised the bar for magnet schools and educational institutions in Connecticut and across the country. Gina's achievements represent the highest dedication to success, and I am proud to recognize her contributions here today.

Although the Rotella School only opened in 2000, it has quickly distinguished itself as one of the best Magnet Schools in the country. It embodies a dedication to a holistic education that incorporates a strong academic program and an emphasis on the performing and visual arts. This approach combines the most valu-

able aspects of the arts—self-expression, creativity and practice—with academics, leading to a unique and valuable student experience.

On behalf of the people of Waterbury, I want to congratulate Ms. Calabrese for this award and thank her for her tireless efforts to educate the future leaders of Connecticut.

STANLEY K. SHEINBAUM

HON. EARL BLUMENAUER

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, June 13, 2011

Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate the 91st birthday of Stanley Sheinbaum, one of our country's most unique civic leaders. In his early years, Stanley served as a cartographer in World War II and was a student at Stanford, where he received top honors. He went on to become a Fulbright scholar and a professor of economics-first at Stanford, then at Michigan State. In 1964 he married Betty Warner and together they moved to Santa Barbara, where Stanley became one of the most vocal opponents of the war in Viet Nam. He twice ran for Congress on an aggressive anti-war platform and helped raise money for the legal defense fund of Daniel Ellsberg, the Defense Department analyst who leaked the "Pentagon Papers" to the New York Times.

After the war, Stanley remained deeply involved in the causes that were dear to him. His many interests, accomplishments, and important relationships are too numerous to recount. A few of the highlights include the nine years he served as chairman of the American Civil Liberties Union Foundation of Southern California, where his leadership led to a tenfold increase in contributions. In 1988, he was the leader of a Jewish-American delegation that convinced Yasser Arafat to recognize Israel and disavow terrorism. From 1991-93 he served as president of the Los Angeles Board of Police Commissioners in the wake of the Rodney King beating, during which time he led the fight for justice and accountability, during that explosive period in the city's his-

His many achievements are in a delightful documentary, Citizen Stanley, which pays tribute to his many years of service and activism. Today, here in Congress, we have the opportunity to wish "Citizen Stanley" a happy birthday as we celebrate his extraordinary life and many contributions, especially to American justice and foreign affairs. At 91 years of age, Stanley Sheinbaum continues to inspire the best of the American progressive tradition.

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HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 13, 2011

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to discuss how the proposed Republican policies will harm our seniors. Republicans are attacking our seniors' most vital support systems.

The Republican budget would replace Medicare with an underfunded voucher system that